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Official meetings

Monday, 27 September 2004

Security Council

10 a.m. Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultations Room

Côte d'Ivoire (S/2004/697)

Other matters

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. 11th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Dato' Seri Haji Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, Prime Minister of Malaysia

Syrian Arab Republic

China

Indonesia

Philippines

Saudi Arabia

Oman

Uzbekistan

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Jamaica

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Mongolia

3 p.m. . . . . 12th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Cambodia

Turkmenistan

Barbados

Jordan

Thailand

Guinea

Ukraine

Côte d'Ivoire

Kenya

Viet Nam

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

United Nations Operations in Côte d'Ivoire

Third Committee

Informal briefing

Pursuant to paragraph 3 (h) of the annex to General Assembly resolution 58/316, the Third Committee will hold an informal briefing on the Committee's organization of work for the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly, on *Monday, 27 September 2004*, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The briefing will be preceded by a short presentation by the Fire and Safety Unit under the provisions of a new safety policy for all meetings of 100 or more participants.

General Assembly
Fifty-ninth session

General debate
(21–24 September 2004, 27 September–1 October 2004)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly is now available at the General Assembly Affairs Branch (rooms S-2925 and S-2940B). The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by fax directly to the Permanent Missions (Office of the Permanent Representative). Delegations wishing to receive an electronic copy of the list are kindly requested to send an e-mail to dizon@un.org.

Delegations are reminded that in accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the General Assembly, a voluntary 15-minute time limit should be observed during the general debate. The list of speakers was prepared on the basis of this 15-minute time limit. To help speakers in the general debate respect the time limit, a mechanism will be installed at the rostrum of the General Assembly Hall.

Other meetings

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Monday, 27 September 2004

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries *(Fifth Annual Ministerial Meeting)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Rio Group Troika — Gulf Cooperation Council *(ministerial meeting)*

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Rio Group Troika — China *(ministerial meeting)*

3–4 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

African Group *(Fifth Committee matters)*

3–4 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC)

3–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Monday, 27 September 2004

Room S-226

11 a.m. . . . . H.E. The Honourable Dato' Seri Haji Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, Prime Minister of Malaysia

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesman

12.45 p.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Mihnea Ioan Motoc (Romania), Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004) (on the work of the Committee)

Forthcoming official meetings

Tuesday, 28 September 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. . . . . 13th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Askar Akayev, President of the Kyrgyz Republic
2. Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

Tonga

Tunisia

Bhutan

Togo

Saint Kitts and Nevis

Mali

Belize

Ethiopia

Niger

Palestine

3 p.m. . . . . 14th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Anote Tong, President of the Republic of Kiribati

2. Continuation of the general debate . . . . . [9]

San Marino

Brunei Darussalam

Nepal

Republic of Moldova

Solomon Islands

Mauritius

Papua New Guinea

Vanuatu

Cameroon

Uganda

First Committee

The First Committee will hold its first organizational meeting on Thursday, 30 September 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2, to consider its tentative programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/59/CRP.1).

The Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items from Monday, 4 October, to Friday, 15 October 2004. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact the secretariat of the First Committee (Ms. Cherub Nicholls (room S-2977M; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388)).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Ms. Cheryl Stoute, Secretary of the First Committee (room S-2977H; tel. 1 (212) 963-5595; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its first meeting on Thursday, 30 September 2004, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The agenda for the meeting will be as follows: Allocation of agenda items; Organization of work (A/C.4/59/1, A/C.4/59/L.1[1], A/C.4/59/INF/1[1], Aide-mémoire 1/04[2]); and Requests for hearing (item 20).

The Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 4 October, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 4 October (see document A/C.4/59/L.1[1]) are kindly requested to notify Ms. Catherina Dakay (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-9223).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should to be submitted to Mr. Saijin Zhang, Secretary of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (room S-2977K; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

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[1] To be issued.

[2] To be distributed at the meeting.

Second Committee

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Monday, 4 October 2004, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and for all other items allocated to the Second Committee, is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open on the basis of the draft programme of work of the Committee (A/C.3/59/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Third Committee secretariat (Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5722; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). The Committee will begin its work on Monday, 4 October 2004, at 10 a.m.

Delegations are also requested to submit the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee, will hold its first meeting on Thursday, 30 September 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider the proposed organization of work for the session, based on the allocation of agenda items to the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/59/1), as well as the status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/59/L.1)[1].

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Movses Abelian, Secretary of the Fifth Committee (room S-2633; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

[1] To be issued.

Sixth Committee

Informal briefing

Pursuant to paragraph 3 (h) of the annex to General Assembly resolution 58/316, the Sixth Committee will hold an informal briefing on the Committee's organization of work for the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly, on Tuesday, 28 September 2004, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The briefing will be preceded by a short presentation by the Fire and Safety Unit under the provisions of a new safety policy for all meetings of 100 or more participants.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) *(ministerial meeting)*

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) will hold a ministerial meeting on Tuesday, 28 September 2004 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

African Group *(experts of the Third Committee)*

A meeting of the African Group *(experts of the Third Committee)* will be held on Tuesday, 28 September 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Group of 15 *(meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)*

There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Group of 15, under the chairmanship of Algeria, on Tuesday, 28 September 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Group of 77 *(Sixteenth Annual Meeting of Senior Officials)*

The Sixteenth Annual Meeting of Senior Officials of the Group of 77 will be held on Tuesday, 28 September 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(Fifth Committee matters)* will be held on Wednesday, 29 September 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Group of 77 *(Twenty-eighth Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)*

The Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Member States of the Group of 77 will hold their Twenty-eighth Annual Meeting on Thursday, 30 September 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Organization of the Islamic Conference *(Annual Coordination Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs)*

The Annual Coordination Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs will be held on Tuesday, 28 September 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Eastern European Group *(Fifth Committee matters)*

There will be a meeting of the Eastern European Group *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Wednesday, 29 September 2004 from 9 to 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

Informal consultations convened by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict

Consultations with non-governmental organizations

There will be consultations with non-governmental organizations, convened by Mr. Olara A. Otunnu, Under-Secretary-General, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, on the follow-up to Security Council resolution 1539, with focus on the establishment of systematic monitoring and reporting mechanisms, on Wednesday, 29 September 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room A. A background note is available for pick-up in room S-3161.

Consultations with Third Committee delegates (at the expert level)

There will be consultations with Third Committee delegates *(at the expert level)*, convened by Mr. Olara A. Otunnu, Under-Secretary-General, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, on the establishment of a monitoring and reporting mechanism on children and armed conflict, on Thursday, 30 September 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room A. A background note is available for pick-up in room S-3161.

Briefing on the TICAD Asia-Africa Trade and Investment Conference (AATIC) (Tokyo, 1-2 November 2004) (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa, in cooperation with the Permanent Mission of Japan)

There will be a briefing on the TICAD Asia-Africa Trade and Investment Conference (AATIC) (Tokyo, 1-2 November 2004), organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), in cooperation with the Permanent Mission of Japan, on Friday, 1 October 2004, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Ibrahim Gambari, Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Africa. Members of Permanent Missions and representatives of international organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact, Ms. Mieko Ikegame (tel. 1 (212) 963-1937; e-mai: ikegame@un.org).

Briefing on the Electronic Meetings Planning and Resource Allocation System (eMeets)

Further to the Note Verbale sent to all Permanent Missions on 2 August 2004 and the briefing held on 27 August 2004, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management will hold a briefing for delegations, on the use of the Electronic Meetings Planning and Resource Allocation System (eMeets) for the electronic submission, processing and tracking of reservations for conference facilities, on Friday, 1 October 2004, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 3. For further information, please contact the Meetings Control Section, Central Planning and Coordination Service, DGACM (tel. 1 (212) 963-6540).

UNITAR English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing an English-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 4 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., on Tuesday, 5 October, from 3 to 6 p.m., and on Wednesday, 6 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 30 September. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Informal exchanges of views on First Committee issues (organized by the delegation of the United States)

Delegates representing Governments of the regional groups are invited to exchanges of views on First Committee issues, organized by the delegation of the United States, to be held on the dates indicated below, promptly from 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The meetings will be conducted in English.

African Group: Monday, 4 October 2004

Asian Group: Tuesday, 5 October

Latin American and Caribbean Group: Wednesday, 6 October

Eastern European Group: Thursday, 7 October

Western European and Other States Group: Friday, 8 October

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology.

Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held until Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

Announcements

General Assembly

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-ninth session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-1942; room S-3420I).

Seating protocol for the fifty-ninth regular session

On Tuesday, 20 July 2004, in accordance with established practice, the Secretary-General drew lots for the purpose of determining which Member State would occupy the first desk on the General Assembly floor. The name drawn was Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; consequently, the delegation of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines will sit at the first desk at the right of the President and the other countries will follow in the English alphabetical order. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

Live webcast of the general debate of the fifty-ninth session

The general debate of the fifty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly will be broadcast live and on-demand (in English and original language), until Friday, 1 October 2004, at the following address: www.un.org/webcast.

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements, in one or more of the United Nations official languages, to webcast@un.org for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Second Committee

Background information on the report of the Secretary-General on globalization and interdependence (item 89 of the provisional agenda of the General Assembly) is available at the following address: www.un.org/esa/documents/ac2.htm.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 September 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

Background information on the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the report of the Panel of Eminent Persons on United Nations-Civil Society Relations

Background information on the report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the report of the Panel of Eminent Persons on United Nations-Civil Society Relations, chaired by Mr. Fernando Henrique Cardoso, former president of Brazil, is available on the following Web site: www.un.org/reform.

Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy

Background information on the integration of the economies in transition into the world economy (pertaining to item 89 (e) of the provisional agenda of the General Assembly) is available at the following address: www.un.org/esa/policy.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that as per General Assembly resolution 58/213B (A/RES/58/213B), the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development

of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. If necessary, it was also decided that two days of informal consultations be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate preparations for the Meeting.

Summary of meetings

Thursday, 23 September 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

8th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Enrique Pereira Rosa, President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau

H.E. Mr. Enrique Pereira Rosa, President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Al Hadji Yahya Jammeh, President of the Republic of the Gambia

H.E. Al Hadji Yahya Jammeh, President of the Republic of the Gambia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Ricardo Maduro, President of the Republic of Honduras

H.E. Mr. Ricardo Maduro, President of the Republic of Honduras, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Jorge Batlle Ibáñez, President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay

H.E. Mr. Jorge Batlle Ibáñez, President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay, addressed the General Assembly.

General debate . . . . . [9]

Statements were made by H.E. The Right Honourable Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister and Minister for Defence and Public Service of the Kingdom of Lesotho; H.E. The Honourable Lawrence Gonzi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Malta; H.E. Alhaji Aliu Mahama, Vice-President of the Republic of Ghana; H.E. Mrs. Sandra Pierantozzi, Vice-President and Minister of Health of the Republic of Palau; His Serene Highness Crown Prince Albert of the Principality of Monaco; H.E. Mr. Abdullah Gül, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkey; H.E. Mrs. Benita Ferrero-Waldner, Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Austria; H.E. Mr. Sergey Lavrov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; H.E. The Right Honourable Jack Straw, MP, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; H.E. Mr. Brian Cowen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ireland; H.E. Dr. Mustafa Osman Ismail, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Sudan; H.E. Dr. Per Stig Møller, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark; H.E. Mr. Solomon Passy, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria; H.E. Sheikh Mohammad Sabah Al-Salem Al-Sabah, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kuwait; and H.E. Mr. Vuk Drašković, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Serbia and Montenegro.

The representative of Spain made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Friday, 24 September 2004

Security Council

5043rd meeting

The situation in Africa

Briefing by the President of Nigeria and current Chairman of the African Union

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Nigeria, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item, hearing an introductory statement by the President, speaking in his capacity as the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Spain.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The Council heard a briefing by the distinguished President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and current Chairman of the African Union, His Excellency Mr. Olusegun Obasanjo.

The representative of the United States made comments and posed questions.

His Excellency Mr. Obasanjo responded to comments and questions raised by the representative of the United States.

The representatives of the United Kingdom, China, Pakistan, the Federal Vice-Chancellor and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany, the Secretary of the Foreign Affairs of the Philippines, the representatives of the Russian Federation, Algeria, France, Brazil, Angola, Benin, Chile and Romania made comments and posed questions in connection with the briefing.

His Excellency Mr. Obansajo responded to comments and questions raised by members of the Council.

The President made concluding remarks.

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

9th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Fradique Bandeira Melo de Menezes, President of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe

H.E. Mr. Fradique Bandeira Melo de Menezes, President of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Branko Crvenkovski, President of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

H.E. Mr. Branko Crvenkovski, President of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Ilham Heydar oglu Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan

H.E. Mr. Ilham Heydar oglu Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan, addressed the General Assembly.

General debate . . . . . [9]

Statements were made by H.E. The Honourable Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; H.E. The Honourable Laisenia Qarase, Prime Minister of the Republic of the Fiji Islands; H.E. Mr. Roosevelt Skerrit, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Carib Affairs of the Commonwealth of Dominica; H.E. The Honourable Maatia Toafa, Acting Prime Minister of Tuvalu; H.E. The Honourable Winston Baldwin Spencer, Prime Minister and Minister for Labour of Antigua and Barbuda; H.E. Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al-Khalifa, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bahrain; H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Republic of Korea; H.E. Mr. George Yeo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore; and H.E. Mr. Kamal Kharrazi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

10th plenary meeting — The summary of the 10th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2004/187).

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Friday, 24 September 2004

Convention on the Right of the Child

Committee on the Rights of the Child
Thirty-seventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva

989th–990th meetings — *Consideration of reports of States parties* . . . . . [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the initial report of Equatorial Guinea (CRC/C/11/Add.26). In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at those meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Ratification: Lesotho (24 September 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Final Protocol to the Convention for the Suppression of the Traffic in Persons and of the Exploitation of the Prostitution of Others. Lake Success, New York, 21 March 1950

Ratification: Lesotho (24 September 2004)[1]

Signature: Mali (24 September 2004)

Signature: Senegal (24 September 2004)

Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness. New York, 30 August 1961

Accession: Lesotho (24 September 2004)[1]

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families. New York, 18 December 1990

Signature: Lesotho (24 September 2004)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 6 October 1999

Ratification: Lesotho (24 September 2004)[1]

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Lesotho (24 September 2004)[1]

Ratification: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (24 September 2004)[1]

Amendment to article 43 (2) of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. New York, 12 December 1995

Acceptance: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (24 September 2004)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Copenhagen, 25 November 1992

Accession: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (24 September 2004)[1]

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (24 September 2004)[1]

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Malaysia (24 September 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Asian Highway Network. Bangkok, 18 November 2003

Signature: Malaysia (24 September 2004)

Ratification: Sri Lanka (24 September 2004)[1]

Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, II and III). Geneva, 10 October 1980

Accession: Sri Lanka (24 September 2004)[1]

Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 3 May 1996

Consent to be bound: Malta (24 September 2004)[1]

Consent to be bound: Sri Lanka (24 September 2004)[1]

Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons). Vienna, 13 October 1995

Consent to be bound: Malta (24 September 2004)[1]

Consent to be bound: Sri Lanka (24 September 2004)[1]

Amendment to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 21 December 2001

Accession: Malta (24 September 2004)[1]

Accession: Sri Lanka (24 September 2004)[1]

European Agreement concerning the Work of Crews of Vehicles Engaged in International Road Transport (AETR). Geneva, 1 July 1970

Accession: Malta (24 September 2004)[1]

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons, including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973

Accession: Dominica (24 September 2004)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Accession: Dominica (24 September 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

Accession: Dominica (24 September 2004)[1]

Accession: Senegal (24 September 2004)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000

Ratification: Republic of Korea (24 September 2004)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Ratification: Republic of Korea (24 September 2004)[1]

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Ratification: Guyana (24 September 2004)[1]

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Stockholm, 22 May 2001

Ratification: Kenya (24 September 2004)[1]

International Cocoa Agreement, 2001. Geneva, 2 March 2001

Ratification: Brazil (24 September 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

Briefing on the training programme of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct a briefing on its training programme on Tuesday, 28 September 2004, from 11 a.m. to 3.30 p.m. in the training room of the Library (room L-270, 2nd floor of the Library Building). Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. The programme is posted at www.un.org/depts/dhl/training/trainingsampler.pdf. Course descriptions can be found at www.un.org/depts/dhl/training/dhltrain.htm. For further information, please contact the Dag Hammarskjöld Library (e-mail dhluss@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7412).

Panel discussion on "WTO and the challenges for trade-led growth" (organized by the United Nations University)

There will be a panel discussion on "WTO and the challenges for trade-led growth", organized by the United Nations University Office at the United Nations, New York, will be held on Wednesday, 29 September 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding on Stand-by Arrangements with Ecuador

The signing of the Memorandum of Understanding on Stand-by Arrangements with Ecuador will take place on Wednesday, 29 September 2004, at 12 noon. in room S-3727A.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of September 2004 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Congo
H.E. Mr. Basile Ikouebe

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Syrian Arab Republic
H.E. Mr. Fayssal Mekdad

Eastern European States:
Armenia
H.E. Mr. Armen Martirosyan

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Jamaica
H.E. Mr. Stafford O. Neil

Western European and other States:
Norway
H.E. Mr. Johan L. Løvald

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S/2004/755	Letter dated 22 September 2004 from the Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

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